

## **Calaveras County**

### **2008 WMA Base Funding Work Plan**

#### **Member of CSPAW, a two-county WMA**

#### **Yellow Starthistle Control Program**

***January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009***

#### **Contract Lead Group (County, RCD, or Other) and contact information:**

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#### **Project Manager (contact for reporting and invoicing) and contact information:**

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#### **WMA Group affiliation:** CSPAW WMA (A Two County WMA)

**Please Confirm, All projects described in this work plan will be in one contract with (if more than one contract is desired, please describe here):** Confirmed, separate contract for Calaveras County.

#### **Project Objectives:**

Control yellow starthistle in rights-of-way at the leading edge, outlier populations, and other County maintained corridors leading into the Sierra. Continue to control yellow starthistle in infested quarries where seeds are likely to be spread in deliveries of sand, gravel and rock.

#### ***Calaveras member of CSPAW WMA:***

Calaveras County participated in the 2008 Regional YST Leading Edge NFWF grant and used this funding to determine the YST leading edge location. We are in the process of receiving responses to more than 700 letters/surveys sent to property owners within a half mile of our understood leading edge line to verify the location. We learned that NFWF will not fund this important work in 2009. In order to continue the work already done on the YST leading edge project, we propose to treat county maintained rights-of-way at the leading edge, outlier populations, and other county maintained corridors leading into the Sierra Nevada. In addition we propose to continue to mitigate the spread of yellow starthistle seeds in shipments of sand, gravel and rock by treating infested quarries for yellow starthistle.

#### **Equipment:**

A licensed commercial driver with a tank endorsement. A commercial vehicle mounted with a 1200-gallon water tank, Mid-tech controller and Norstar spraying system.

#### **Mapping:**

Maps are available for our quarry locations, the current understanding of the leading edge location, and of county maintained roads.

**Reporting:**

A project report will be submitted at the completion of the contract and will include the following information: a representative sample of before-and-after photographs, a representative sample of before-and-after percent-cover statistics, and miles of roadside and/or acres sprayed.

## **FISCAL DISPLAY**

**PLEASE SEND AS EXCEL SPREADSHEET**

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**PLEASE SEE EXCEL ATTACHMENT FOR EXAMPLE BASE FUNDING BUDGET.**

### Invoicing:

\*All invoices will be on letterhead and will state the contract number, period in which work was performed, and will follow the budget as outlined above.

\*All invoices are mailed to: CDFA-IPC, Attn: Terrance Lorick, 1220 N Street, Room 341, Sacramento, CA 95814.

### Reporting:

\*An annual report will be required within 30 days of completion of the contract. The report must follow format as provided by the CDFA-WMA Program.